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'EC-TRADE-2011'(50) Latin Name: *Tradescantia cerinthoides*
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See application file for complete search history.*Primary Examiner* — Keith O. Robinson(74) *Attorney, Agent, or Firm* — C. Anne Whealy(57) **ABSTRACT**

A new and distinct cultivar of *Tradescantia* plant named 'EC-TRADE-2011', characterized by its uniform, compact and upright to broadly spreading plant habit; freely branching habit; dense and bushy appearance; strong and healthy leaves; green-colored leaves with light purple-colored longitudinal stripes; and good postproduction and interiorscape performance.

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Botanical designation: *Tradescantia cerinthoides*.
Cultivar denomination: 'EC-TRADE-2011'.

STATEMENT REGARDING PRIOR
DISCLOSURES BY INVENTOR &
APPLICANT/ASSIGNEE

An European Community Plant Breeder's Rights application for the instant plant was filed by the Applicant/Assignee, Eden Collection B.V. of Sappemeer, The Netherlands on Sep. 4, 2020, application number 2020/2115. Foreign priority is not claimed to this application.

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BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

The present invention relates to a new and distinct cultivar of *Tradescantia* plant, botanically known as *Tradescantia cerinthoides* and hereinafter referred to by the name 'EC-TRADE-2011'.

The new *Tradescantia* plant is a product of a planned breeding program conducted by the Inventor in Sappemeer, The Netherlands. The objective of the breeding program was to create new compact *Tradescantia* plants with attractive and unique leaf coloration and good overall plant performance.

The new *Tradescantia* plant is a naturally-occurring branch mutation of an unnamed selection of *Tradescantia*

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cerinthoides, not patented. The new *Tradescantia* plant was discovered and selected by the Inventor on a single plant from within a population of plants of the patent selection in a controlled greenhouse environment in Sappemeer, The Netherlands in March, 2019.

Asexual reproduction of the new *Tradescantia* plant by terminal cuttings in a controlled greenhouse environment in Sappemeer, The Netherlands since April, 2019 has shown that the unique features of this new *Tradescantia* plant are stable and reproduced true to type in successive generations.

SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION

Plants of the new *Tradescantia* have not been observed under all possible combinations of environmental conditions and cultural practices. The phenotype may vary somewhat with variations in environment such as temperature and light intensity without, however, any variance in genotype.

The following traits have been repeatedly observed and are determined to be the unique characteristics of 'EC-TRADE-2011'. These characteristics in combination distinguish 'EC-TRADE-2011' as a new and distinct *Tradescantia* plant:

1. Uniform, compact and upright to broadly spreading plant habit.
2. Freely branching habit; dense and bushy appearance.
3. Strong and healthy leaves.
4. Green-colored leaves with light purple-colored longitudinal stripes.
5. Good postproduction and interiorscape performance.

Plants of the new *Tradescantia* and the parent selection differ primarily in leaf color as plants of the parent selection have solid green-colored leaves without light purple-colored stripes.

Plants of the new *Tradescantia* can also be compared to plants of the *Tradescantia albiflora* 'Nanouk', disclosed in U.S. Plant Pat. No. 29,711. In side-by-side comparisons,